

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the first full paragraph beginning on page 4, line 7, which starts with "For illustrative purposes" with the following amended paragraph:

B' [Paragraph One] For illustrative purposes, the invention will be described using systems based upon the H.323 standard as an example. It is understood that the invention is intended to cover any and all other protocols, now known or to be known in the art, which address packet telephony, such as, for example, ITU H.248, also known as MEGACO, Session Initiation Protocol ("SIP"), and Media Gateway Control Protocol ("MGCP"). These protocols describe equivalent modules which are responsible for call setup, and are thus functionally equivalent, within the context of the invention, to the gatekeeper of H.323. The names of these modules, of course, vary with the given protocol. For example, in SIP the gatekeeper functionality is accomplished by what is termed a "proxy", in MEGACO by a "Media Gateway Controller", and in MGCP by a "softswitch." ~~Like the Shakespearean rose, a gatekeeper by any other name is just as sweet.~~

Please replace the first full paragraph beginning on page 11, line 3, which starts with "Alternatively, the AC" with the following amended paragraph:

B² [Paragraph One – Twice Amended] Alternatively, the AC 4304 and GK 410 can be themselves connected via the Internet 450, or other computer communications network. Or, the GK 410 could write to a file, store, and then itself transmit to an AC 430, via a variety of data transmission channels, as described above, or as is otherwise known in the art.